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SUBJ: FRENCH SALE OF REPROCESSING TECHNOLOGY TO SOUTH
KOREA

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1. CONFIRMING INFO IN REF A, POTVIN, DIRECTOR, WEST
EUROPEAN AFFAIRS, DEPT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS TOLD EMBOFF
JULY 15 THAT CANADIAN EMBASSY PARIS HAD LEARNED THAT
PONIATOWSKI ANSWER WAS MISTAKEN. THEY HAD ALSO LEARNED THAT
FRENCH SALE OF REPROCESSING TECHNOLOGY TO ROK NOW SUBJECT OF
TRILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS IN VIENNA BETWEEN FRANCE, ROK
AND IAEA.

2. FRENCH APPARENTLY TOLD CANADIANS IN PARIS THAT
PONIATOWSKI DENIAL SIMPLY A MISTAKE ON HIS PART AND ADDED
EXPLANATION THAT HE IS, AFTER ALL, MINISTER OF INTERIOR AND
NOT CURRENT ON NUCLEAR AFFAIRS. POTVIN ADDED THAT
EXPLANATION THAT PONIATOWSKI MISUNDERSTOOD QUESTION PUT TO HIM
AT PRESS CONFERENCE OR THAT QUESTION UNCLEAR MOST
UNLIKELY. JOHNSON

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